It is a 9-days trip with an all inclusive tariff of Rs. 4,500/-per passenger.

(c) to (g) Similar other trains, upon the responses received on the operation of the trains in the initial circuits, would be introduced on various circuits covering tourist destinations in Northern, Eastern, Western and Southern India. The fare on the "Bharat Darshan" Special Tourist Train is approximately Rs. 450/-per passenger per day.

Dedicated rail lines for goods

1728. SHRI B.J. PANDA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that railways propose to prepare a comprehensive plan for dedicated rail liijes for goods in the country;

(b) if so, the board details of modernization project;

(c) the total outlay involved in the project;

(d) whether this has since been prepared and submitted to the Planning Commission; and

(e) if so, the present status of the project?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS: (SHRI R. VELU): (a) No, Sir.

(b) to (e) Do not arise.

New railway line between Mumbai and Pune

†1729. SHRI R.S. GAVAI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that about a distance of 50 kilometers can be reduced between Mumbai and Pune by laying a new railway line from Ksara Bank to New Mumbai;

(b) if so, whether Government propose to conduct any survey in this context;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.